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Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR FERTILITY PRESERVATION FOR CANCER PATIENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2015) (a) (1) Subject to the 2 limitations set forth in subsection (b) of this section, each individual 3 health insurance policy providing coverage of the types specified in 4 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general 5 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or 6 continued in this state shall provide coverage for embryo, oocyte and sperm cryopreservation procedures, in accordance with guidelines 8 established by the American Society of Clinical Oncology, for an 9 insured who is at least eighteen years of age and has been diagnosed 10 with cancer but has not started cancer treatment, including 11 chemotherapy, biotherapy or radiation therapy treatment.
 - (2) The coverage required under this section shall include expenses for evaluations, laboratory assessments, medications and treatments associated with the embryo, oocyte and sperm cryopreservation procedures, but shall not include costs for initial or annual storage of

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- 16 embryos, oocytes or sperm.
- 17 (b) Such policy may:
- 18 (1) Limit such coverage to an individual until the date of such individual's fortieth birthday;
- 20 (2) Limit such coverage for a female insured to a lifetime benefit of 21 one procedure for either embryo cryopreservation or oocyte 22 cryopreservation; and
- 23 (3) Limit such coverage for a male insured to a lifetime benefit of 24 one sperm cryopreservation procedure.
- 25 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2015) (a) (1) Subject to the 26 limitations set forth in subsection (b) of this section, each group health 27 insurance policy providing coverage of the types specified in 28 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general 29 statutes delivered, issued for delivery, renewed, amended or 30 continued in this state shall provide coverage for embryo, oocyte and 31 sperm cryopreservation procedures, in accordance with guidelines 32 established by the American Society of Clinical Oncology, for an 33 insured who is at least eighteen years of age and has been diagnosed 34 with cancer but has not started cancer treatment, including 35 chemotherapy, biotherapy or radiation therapy treatment.
 - (2) The coverage required under this section shall include expenses for evaluations, laboratory assessments, medications and treatments associated with the embryo, oocyte and sperm cryopreservation procedures, but shall not include costs for initial or annual storage of embryos, oocytes or sperm.
- 41 (b) Such policy may:
- 42 (1) Limit such coverage to an individual until the date of such individual's fortieth birthday;

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- 44 (2) Limit such coverage for a female insured to a lifetime benefit of 45 one procedure for either embryo cryopreservation or oocyte 46 cryopreservation; and
 - (3) Limit such coverage for a male insured to a lifetime benefit of one sperm cryopreservation procedure.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2015	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2015	New section

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